

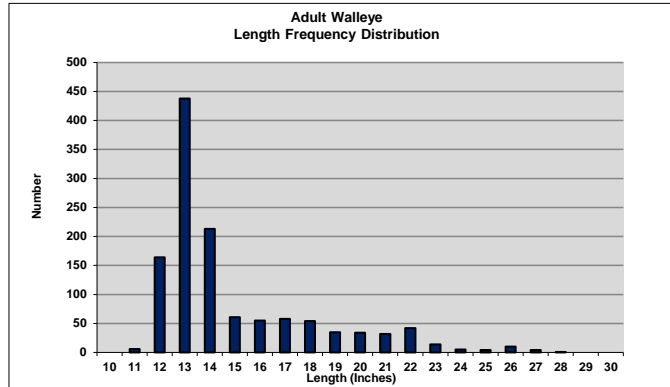


**WISCONSIN DNR  
FISHERIES INFORMATION SHEET  
LAKE CHETAC, SAWYER COUNTY 2017**

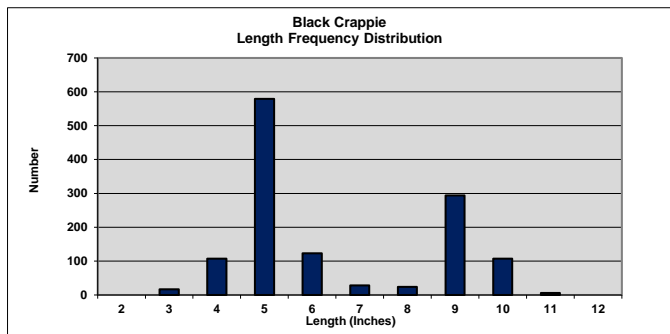
The WDNR conducted a fisheries assessment of Lake Chetac, Sawyer County, from April 3 to April 8, 2017. Lake Chetac is a 1,920 acre drainage lake and has a maximum depth of 26 feet. The fisheries includes panfish, largemouth bass, smallmouth bass, northern pike, and walleye. Lake Chetac was estimated to contain 4,715 adult walleye or 2.5 per acre.



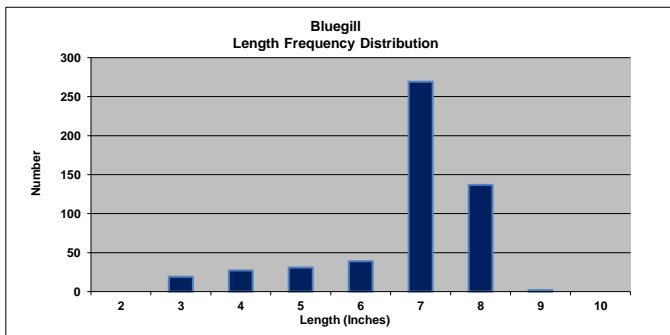
<b><u>Walleye</u></b>	
Total Captured	1,230
Avg. Length (in.)	14.9
Length Range (in.)	11-28
% >18"	19%



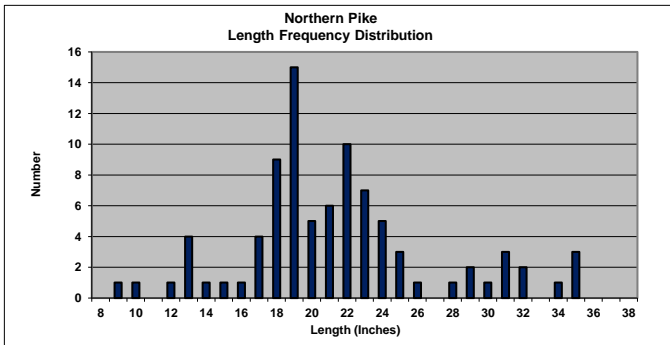
<b><u>Black Crappie</u></b>	
Total Captured	1,285
Avg. Length (in.)	6.4
Length Range (in.)	3-11
% >8"	34%



<b><u>Bluegill</u></b>	
Total Captured	524
Avg. Length (in.)	6.8
Length Range (in.)	3-9
% >7"	78%



<b><u>Northern Pike</u></b>	
Total Captured	88
Avg. Length (in.)	21.4
Length Range (in.)	9-35
% >26"	16%



**Other Species**

Species observed during this survey but not included in the report were bowfin, brook trout, golden shiner, largemouth bass, pumpkinseed, rock bass, smallmouth bass, white sucker, and yellow perch.

We are also conducting a creel (angler harvest) survey on Lake Chetac this year. Creel clerk Donna Sorenson will count and interview anglers and examine their catch throughout the fishing season.

**Stocking History (Past 10 Years)**

Year	Species	Number Fish Stocked	Avg Fish Length (IN)	Source
2016	Walleye	23,990	7.4	DNR HATCHERY
2014	Walleye	23,996	6.3	DNR HATCHERY
2013	Walleye	9,600	7.0	DNR HATCHERY
2012	Walleye	3,000	7.0	TRIBAL HATCHERY
2011	Walleye	1,500	7.8	TRIBAL HATCHERY

A brief summary of selected fishing regulations is included below. While the regulatory information provided was current at the time the surveys were conducted, it is not comprehensive and should not be used as a substitute for the current fishing regulation pamphlet. You may obtain a copy of current fishing regulations when you purchase your fishing license, or download a copy from our web site at: <http://dnr.wi.gov/topic/fishing/regulations/>

**General Fishing Regulations for Lake Chetac, Sawyer County, 2017**

FISH SPECIES	OPEN SEASON	DAILY LIMIT	MINIMUM LENGTH
Walleye	May 06-March 04	3	18" MINIMUM
Largemouth Bass	May 06-March 04	5	NO MINIMUM
Smallmouth Bass	May 06-March 04	5	NO MINIMUM
Muskellunge	May 27-November 30	1	40" MINIMUM
Northern Pike	May 06-March 04	5	NO MINIMUM
Panfish	All year	*25	NO MINIMUM

\*Daily bag limit on panfish is 25, of which only 10 may be bluegill.

This report is interim only; data and findings should not be considered final. Results of creel surveys should be available by June of the year following the survey. If you are interested in a summary of the creel survey or want an update on this year's fyke netting and electrofishing survey results contact:

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To access other northern Wisconsin fisheries surveys go to: <http://dnr.wi.gov/> and search Ceded Territory Fisheries Reports.

For answers to questions about fisheries management activities and plans for Lake Chetac, Sawyer County contact:

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